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Royal borough schools in top third nationally

by Dick Townsend-Smith



TOP MARKS: Council Leader Denise Hyland and Cabinet Member for Children's Services John Fahy meet GCSE students at St Ursula's Convent School. The school's results have helped make it one of the highest performing schools in the country.

SECONDARY school pupils in the borough are once again achieving impressive results in their GCSEs and A-levels.

Figures just released show that Royal Greenwich schools are in the top third of 151 local authorities in England for GCSEs, and well above the national average. Performance at Key Stage 5 for A-levels and other post-16 exams has also improved.

The news comes hard on the heels of the announcement that nine primary schools have each won £1,000 for the way in which they help disadvantaged pupils in Royal Greenwich achieve their best, under a government scheme called the Pupil Premium Awards. These are designed to name and reward schools that have made, or continue to make, impressive improvements.

Cllr John Fahy, the council's deputy leader and cabinet member for children's services, said: "This is the second piece of good news in as many weeks. It was really heartening to see that we are able to do so much for disadvantaged pupils. And now the national figures for GCSEs and A-levels confirm that we are getting it right in Royal Greenwich.

"This is down to all-round hard work by pupils, teachers and parents, and demonstrates the big emphasis we all put on raising education standards."

The borough is 6.2 per cent above the English national average for GCSE pupils gaining five or more A\* to C grades in subjects that include maths and English.

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THE following meetings take place at the Town Hall, Wellington Street, unless stated otherwise.

**February 5** - Healthier communities and older people scrutiny panel, 6.30pm, committee room 4

Eltham Crematorium join committee, 6.30pm, Eltham Crematorium, Crown Woods Way, SE9.

**February 10** - Woolwich & Thamesmead Area Planning Committee, 6.30pm, committee rooms 4 & 5

**February 11** - Licensing Sub-Committee B, 6pm, Committee Room 6

Overview and Scrutiny, 7pm, committee room 4

**February 12** - Safer&stronger

communities scrutiny panel, 7pm committee room 6

**February 17** - Licensing Sub-Committee C, 5.00 pm then Sustainable Communities & Transport Scrutiny Panel, 7.00 pm

**February 18** - Cabinet, 7.00pm

**February 19** - Finance & Public Services Scrutiny Panel, 7.00 pm

More information on 020 8921 5130 or at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings)

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## LETTERS

# Holocaust remembered

THANKS to everyone involved for the poignant Holocaust Memorial Day ceremony held yesterday at the Town Hall, on the particularly important 70th Anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz and the 20th anniversary of the Srebrenica genocide in Bosnia. Thanks in particular to the children of Charlton Manor for their excellent readings and pictures and to the children of Mulgrave for their beautiful singing, which was truly uplifting. It is vital to involve the younger generation to keep these memories alive and to give a ray of hope for the future.

One gripe - At times, the noise in the Town Hall was really intrusive. In particular, people moving around up in the gallery made a lot of noise - walking heavily, at one point dropping some equipment with a great clatter. Surely staff and members of the public using the building should be asked to make as little noise as possible while such an important event takes place? Better still, maybe council staff could be given time off to attend.

Rosemary Savinson, Charlton

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**GREG CULLEN:** 'The Greenwich Emirates Airline Cable Car is quite a spectacle at night.'

● **Thank you for your letter.** It is always incredibly important to fittingly mark Holocaust Memorial Day and this year's event was a poignant experience for all who attended. We would like to echo your words by extending our thanks to Mulgrave Primary School and all who attended and contributed to the memorial service. With regards to your second point, we apologise for any accidental noise heard during the event - any noise created was inadvertently caused as a result of the town hall being a place where staff are continually working. Lastly, all Council staff are invited to attend Holocaust Memorial Day as part of the working day.

## Cycle path

IT'S all very well urging residents to vote for so-called improvements to make the Thamesmead stretch of the riverside path a 'bustling' walking route (Greenwich Time 27th January), but what's happening about the long gap in the Path further upstream? At present, walkers, cyclists, wheelchair users and people with buggies heading from Charlton to Woolwich or vice versa are forced inland between the View Cafe at the Barrier. It's a distance of only a few hundred yards along the river, but its inaccessibility forces a detour of about a mile into the fumes of the busy Woolwich Road. When can we expect this section to be completed?

M. Ruthven, Charlton

● **A council spokesperson said:** "The council is committed to creating a continuous, high quality walking and cycling route along the whole length of the Thames Path in the royal borough. The recent opening of the swing bridge across Deptford Creek was a major step forward. We're pleased to say the council has now successfully secured funding to complete the 'Missing Link' section in Charlton. We are now progressing these plans; it's early days but we anticipate works will start in late autumn of this year."

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# Keeping their memory alive

The royal borough remembers Holocaust victims



MOVING TRIBUTE: pupils from Charlton Manor and Mulgrave primary schools are joined by l-r Dolly Boldeo from Greenwich Hindu Temple; the mayor Mick Hayes and the mayoress Gillian; Gerald Rose, warden of Catford and Bromley synagogue; the Rev Mike Leader and Saeed Ahmad from Greenwich Islamic Centre, inset, Mulgrave pupils perform a musical tribute

FAITH and community leaders, schoolchildren, armed services representatives, council staff and members of the public stood together in silence at Woolwich Town Hall last Tuesday morning (January 27) to mark Holocaust Memorial Day.

Children from Charlton Manor Primary School read out the stories they had written about genocide, and children from Mulgrave Primary in Woolwich sang two songs – 'World In Union' and 'Can You Hear My Voice?'.

The event was hosted by Cllr Mick

Hayes, the Mayor of Royal Greenwich, with prayers and stories led by the Reverend Mike Leader, borough Dean and Gerald Rose, from Catford and Bromley synagogue who lit candles alongside the children and faith leaders.

The theme for this year's commemoration was 'Keep the Memory Alive'. This year marks the 70th anniversary of the liberation of the notorious Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp, and the 20th anniversary of the Srebrenica genocide in Bosnia.

## Sign up to have your election say on voter registration day

by Dan Stephens

FEBRUARY 5 is National Voter Registration Day (NVRD) and residents across the royal borough are encouraged to get inspired to vote in the general election in May.

NVRD has been created by Bite the Ballot, a campaign group aiming to get more young people to register to vote.

NVRD was set up in 2014 and has already made a big difference registering 50,000 people to vote. This year the target is 250,000 and there is information and resources available aimed at inspiring discussions about voting, demystifying the registration process and emphasising the enormous power young people have.

There is a host of celebrities behind the campaign, including SB.TV's Jamal Edwards, rapper Tinie Tempah, singer Eliza Doolittle and 'Soccer AM' presenter Max Rushden.

The council is also helping residents get registered to vote this spring and

is writing to all residents next month with important information about the registration process. Additionally unregistered voters will also be contacted and given details about how to register and have their say.

Residents who haven't registered before, which is likely to include many people who have moved home in the previous year, need to complete the process in order to vote. The deadline for registration to vote in the General Election is April 20 – however residents are encouraged to apply to become registered well before this to ensure their registration is processed in time for them to vote.

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**Closing date for applications 10th February 2015**

**Interviews will be held week beginning 11 & 12th February 2015**

Visits to the school are encouraged.

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References must include one from your current school.

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# A hub for landlords

## Private property owners get expert advice

by Dick Townsend-Smith

A RECORD turnout of more than 80 private landlords attended the latest Landlord Business Club hosted by the council.

The theme of the meeting at the Old Royal Naval College included how to avoid problems with tenants that could lead to a dispute.

A representative from the National Landlords Association gave tips on dealing with difficult landlord-tenant situations, such as noise or maintenance issues. Then officers from the council's environmental health team spoke about regulations affecting the private rented sector.

There was also information about tax planning for landlords and business enterprise.

The event was voted a winner by newcomer Ged McDonald from Charlton, who has just retired from the Fire Brigade after 30 years. He said: "I went to the meeting after seeing it advertised in Greenwich Time, because I am thinking of becoming a landlord. I am looking to buy a two-bedroom flat to let, and it's something I've never thought of doing before."

"The bit of the talk I liked best was hearing about dealing with difficult tenants, and the financial support that is available to people. I would be interested in the council's scheme where they give you help and support with finding tenants. The council is offering a good service to people like me, who want to buy to let."

The council offer a range of support private landlords including grants and its HACTRAC scheme, which helps families find private rented accommodation to stop them becoming homeless.

It allows people to move into private rented accommodation without having to pay a deposit. The council offers landlords a deposit guarantee bond against any damage caused during the tenancy and any recent arrears.

Meanwhile, the council has been clamping down on 'rogue landlords' who



NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY: NLA rep Richard Blanco who spoke to landlords at last month's business club meeting, inset, the council's rogue landlord campaign

run unregulated or illegal hostels, or properties which are poorly managed or in bad condition.

Clr Chris Kirby, the royal borough's cabinet member for housing told GT: "I'm proud that our recent event, the Landlord Business Club has proved so popular, attracting a record number of attendees. There was a wide range of topics discussed and the information and advice on offer will hopefully prove very useful to the landlords and prospective landlords that attended. The royal borough is committed to providing support for both landlords and prospective tenants through the HACTRAC scheme and will also take

action against 'rogue landlords' whose management of their property falls below our high standards".

Clr Jackie Smith, the royal borough's cabinet member for community safety and environment, said: "The council offers lots of support for good landlords to help them grow their business if they act responsibly. These Landlord Business Club events are a chance for landlords to find out what help is available and to network with other landlords.

"At the same time we are taking steps to tackle a minority of rogue landlords who put their tenants at risk."

● **The next Landlord Business Club meeting is in April. Anyone interested in attending should contact the HACTRAC team on 020 8921 2531 or email [hactrac@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:hactrac@royalgreenwich.gov.uk)**

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- The Order will come into force on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2015 and will continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However the works are expected to take three days to complete.
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  - Blundell Road, Woodhurst Road, Marston Road, Bexley Avenue and Castle Road.

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Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation  
The Woolwich Centre,  
35 Wellington Street,  
SE18 6HQ

Dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015  
Reference ref: 100002124309

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TURNS

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  - prevent vehicles proceeding in Plumstead Road from turning right or left into Burrage Road.
- The above restrictions would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing or covering, as the case may be, of the appropriate traffic signs.
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- Whilst the closure and banned turns are in operation:
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  - vehicles prevented from turning left from Plumstead Road into Burrage Road would be diverted via Plumstead Road, Beresford Road, Woolwich High Street, John Wilson Street, Grand Depot Road, Woolwich New Road, Nightingale Place and Plumstead Common Road;
  - vehicles that would otherwise have proceeded northbound in Burrage Road at its junction with Plumstead Common Road would be diverted via Plumstead Common Road, Nightingale Place, Woolwich New Road, Grand Depot Road, John Wilson Street, Woolwich High Street and Beresford Street;
  - vehicles that would otherwise have proceeded northbound in Burrage Road at its junction with Raglan Road would be diverted via Raglan Road, Waverley Road, Brewery Road, Laleham Road, Plumstead High Street and Plumstead Road.
- The Order would come into force on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2015 and would continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner, however the works are expected to take four months to complete.
- Queries concerning these works should be directed to the Royal Borough of Greenwich's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 5464.

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MIDDLE PARK AVENUE

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# Fair's fare

## Plug your Fairtrade happenings

ORGANISATIONS, schools, businesses and community groups are invited to submit details of Fairtrade Fortnight events on the royal borough website.

The annual event runs from February 23 to March 8 and a listing on the website is a chance to promote your event.

Throughout Fairtrade Fortnight local libraries will be holding Fairtrade inspired activities for residents.

And on Saturday February 28, the council is hosting a day of events in Woolwich town centre. It will feature a Fairtrade market, Fairtrade films on the big-screen in General Gordon Square and entertainment from 12pm - 5pm.

The national campaign, run by the Fairtrade Foundation has been running since 1995 and aims to improve working conditions and fairer terms of trade for farmers and producers of core commodities such as cocoa, sugar, and tea.

The campaign is backed by the royal borough which has supported Fairtrade since 2006.

● To log your event visit [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk)

## Sign up to learn more about fostering

We hold regular information events for people who are interested in finding out more about fostering.

At the events you will meet foster carers and social workers who are involved in fostering for the Royal Borough of Greenwich.

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The Woolwich Centre,  
Wellington Street,  
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Saturday 7 February 2015  
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# A coming of age

by Dick Townsend-Smith

GREENWICH and Bexley Community Hospice in Abbey Wood is marking its 21st birthday year with big expansion plans and a programme of fund-raising and community events.

The main building is being extended to provide a rehabilitation gym, a community hub and a care coordination centre. It will also provide easier access into the hospice.

Also planned are hospice open days, a mini marathon for children, an open garden festival and an appeal for different types of volunteers. Needed are shop volunteers to serve customers and keep the hospice's shops neat and tidy, mini bus drivers to transport patients who cannot get to the hospice under their own steam, and volunteers for the telephone bereavement service.

Kate Heaps, the hospice's chief executive, said it had developed from a service which focused on providing care in the main hospice building to one which cares for and supports people wherever they need care. She said: "We aim to be there wherever and whenever we are needed, in people's homes, in hospital, in care homes and in the hospice itself. We want to make sure that every patient – and their family and friends – benefit from special, tailored and personal care that helps them achieve the best quality of life possible.

Bereavement service volunteers are needed for evenings and weekends. An open meeting for prospective volunteers will be held on Thursday, February 12, from noon to 1pm at the hospice on Bostall Hill. Training starts in March and all volunteers will also receive support from the counselling team.

● For more information visit [www.communityhospice.org.uk](http://www.communityhospice.org.uk)



REGISTERED CHARITY: the hospice in Abbey Wood, above right, founders Don Sturrock and Pat Jeavons, below, founding supporters celebrate the launch of a hospice fundraising campaign



## Relying on community support

THE hospice is a registered charity that provides free specialist end-of-life care to 2,500 adults a year who live in Greenwich or Bexley. It covers an area of 40 square

miles and a population of around 500,000. It does not charge for its services, and only one third of its funding comes from the NHS. This means it has to rely on the

support of local people, businesses, community groups and its network of 16 shops to raise the £4million needed each year to carry out its work.

Expansion and events to mark hospice's 21st birthday

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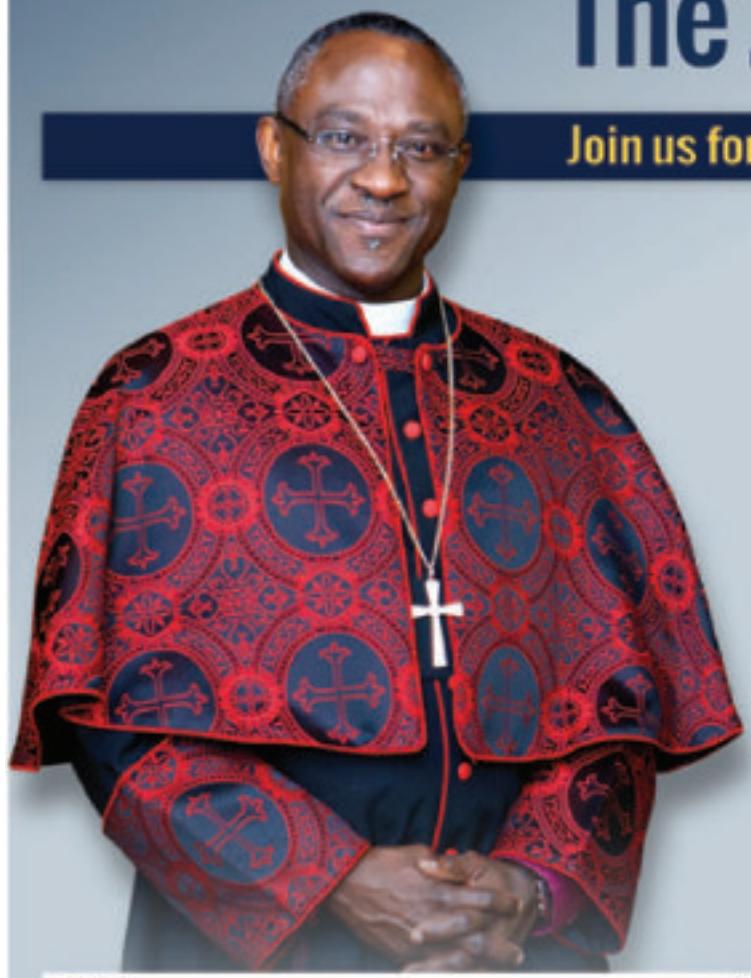
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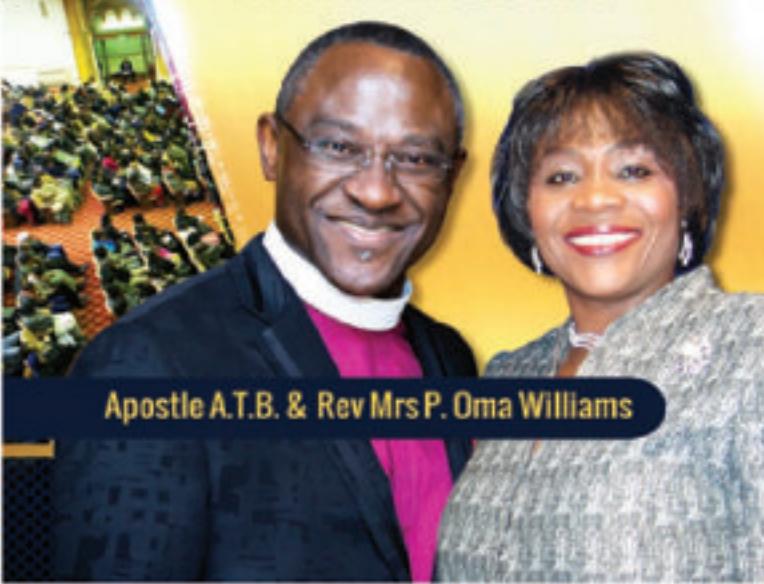
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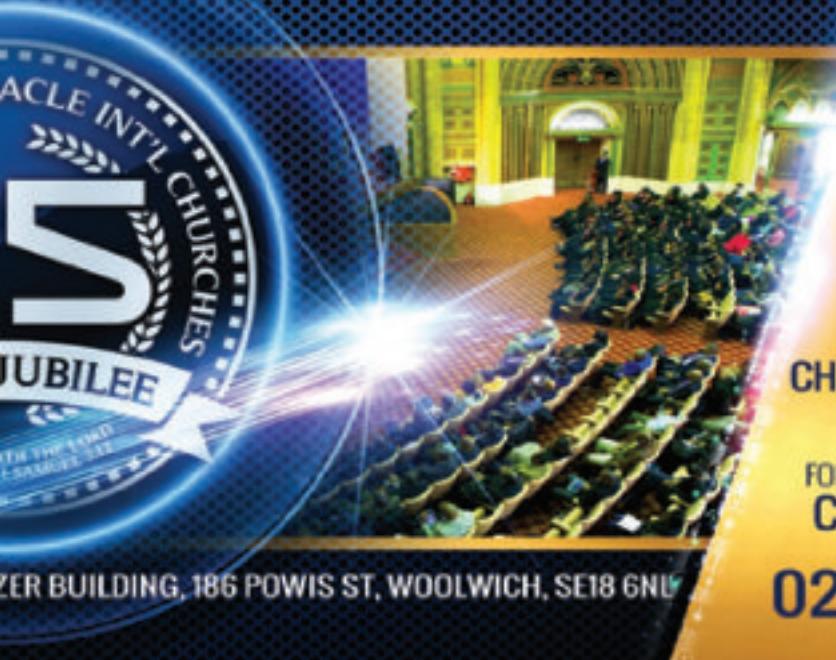


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## Protecting Pippenhall

THE Royal Borough of Greenwich is working with local community representatives to restore a special site of historical and ecological importance in Eltham.

Pippenhall meadow off Butterfly Lane in Eltham has a fascinating history – part of it contains an historic agricultural landscape feature known as ridge and furrow – undulations in the ground from where it was historically ploughed.

The meadow is classified as a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation and some rare plant species have previously been identified.

The council is halting the letting on part of the land to sensitively clear some bramble growth using specialist methods to protect the ridge and furrow and to help restore some rare plant species. The council will then develop a management plan for the site to ensure any future letting arrangements will reflect and maintain the special status of the site.

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# Superstar swimmers

by Simon Banks

WINNERS of the royal borough's annual swimming championships collected their medals at a prize-giving at the Town Hall last week (Thurs 29 Jan). The event saw around 50 young people attend all well supported by their families and friends.

Scarlett Callaghan, 12, collected four trophies for all her individual events in the borough championships - 100 metres butterfly, backstroke, freestyle and breaststroke. For the boys 12-year-old Timothy Leberl picked up his medal for the butterfly, breaststroke and the freestyle - but had settled for 2nd in backstroke, after being beaten by Kenz Hilton.

In the 13/14 year age group Luke Brown was rewarded for a clean sweep in all his four events, while Lukas Antanavicius achieved the same in the 15/16 year old category. Alex Picksley also won all his four events in the 17 years and over group. Tilly Evans, Alexandra Di Mascio and Brooke White each took a trophy in a hard-fought 15/16 year old girl age group. Isobel Merriman and Zahra Crane also took home trophies in the 13/14 year olds category.

Mayor of the royal borough of Greenwich, Cllr Mick Hayes and Cllr Miranda Williams, the royal borough's cabinet member for culture & creative industries both attended and were joined by Dickie Davis Chair of the Greenwich Royals Swimming Club. Cllr Miranda Williams, the royal borough's cabinet member for culture & creative industries said: "I'd like to congratulate all the swimmers for their achievements

and efforts and also give a mention to the friends and family that have worked hard to contribute to the successes that was celebrated at the presentation last week. "I am proud that as a borough we are absolutely committed to investing in swimming as part of our Olympic Legacy. I hope that everyone at the presentation keeps swimming, having fun and taking part and, who knows, maybe we will be

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# Rising above bullying

South Rise Primary School earn 'Anti-Bullying Quality Mark'

by Dan Stephens

**SOUTH** Rise Primary School has given bullying a beating and is now the leading school in the borough for anti-bullying after being awarded a prestigious prize.

The rare prize means that South Rise Primary School have become only the second school in the entire country to win the award for its work in preventing bullying.

The Plumstead school was awarded the Anti-Bullying Quality Mark for its success in adopting lasting anti-bullying strategies and making them part of everyday school life.

South Rise boasts the Anti-Bullying Mark, Silver Award, as it demonstrated that anti-bullying was seen throughout the school's culture and practice. The school particularly congratulated Yasmin Chana for her leadership of anti-bullying in the school, as well as her colleagues, the pupils and parents for all their hard work. The award recognises the efforts of all at the school, which now will be working hard to achieve the Gold award.

Clara Daly Deputy Headteacher said: "Well done South Rise for achieving the Anti-Bullying Quality Mark silver award.

"The ABQM-UK is a national scheme which recognises how schools successfully



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prevent bullying. It challenges schools to set up effective and sustainable anti-bullying strategies and make them part of everyday life within, and beyond, the school gates. South Rise is only the second school in England to achieve the Silver Award as it has successfully demonstrated that anti-bullying is embedded in its

culture and practice.  
"Congratulations to the entire school community, pupils, parents and governors for embracing this important way of working, safeguarding the children and ensuring best practice in managing behaviour."

## Gordon Primary star in gig at O2 Arena

SCHOOL children from the Royal Borough of Greenwich were pop stars for a day as they performed songs as part of a choir at the O2 Arena last week.

Pupils at Gordon Primary School in Eltham had been learning songs and dance moves for months in preparation for the event that saw 7,000 children from the South of England all singing together with a professional conductor, David Lawrence, and a live band between Tuesday January 27 and Friday January 30.

The concert was part of the Young Voices charity initiative that gives between 4,500 and 8,500 children across the country the once in a lifetime opportunity to perform at a world famous arena with professional musicians and artists.

● For more information visit [www.youngvoices.co.uk](http://www.youngvoices.co.uk) or contact [info@youngvoices.co.uk](mailto:info@youngvoices.co.uk) or call 029 2062 8439

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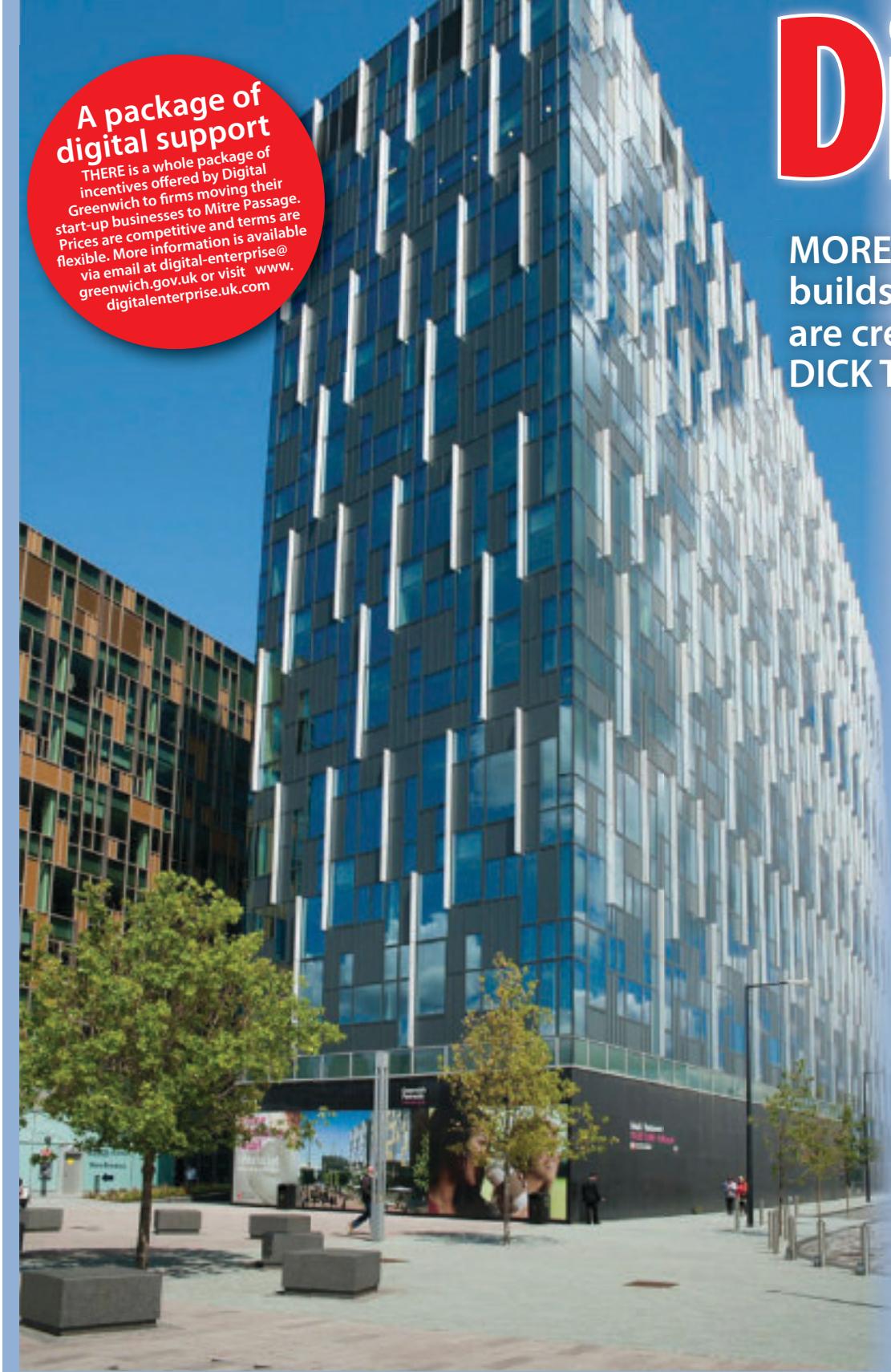
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# Digital

MORE digital businesses are settling in Greenwich, the council builds its reputation as world-class, and the college is creating new jobs and bringing in new students. DICK TOWNSEND-SMITH reports



## College catalyst for digital start-ups

THE arrival of the Ravensbourne college on the Peninsula was the magnet that attracted a cluster of digital start-up companies.

The college's 1,700 students study digital media and design, and their

growing expertise attracted the new companies who wanted to use them to 'incubate' their ideas for digital business ventures.

Successful companies such as Failbetter Games, Portal

Entertainment and Studio Blackburn were all part of the Ravensbourne incubator before joining the Digital Greenwich Innovation Centre.

● More information about incubation is at [dmic.org.uk/incubation](http://dmic.org.uk/incubation)

MORE high-tech firms are choosing to base themselves at the council-sponsored Digital Innovation Centre at Mitre Passage – a stone's throw from the Ravensbourne design and communication college.

They are prospering, and enjoying the advantages of being located alongside other digital companies doing similar work. It means they can share information, expertise, and help each other to deliver their clients' needs.

Most recent newcomers include:

● **Bulb Things** which specialises in physical assets management, and was founded by a group of tech-savvy entrepreneurs with more than 50 years' digital experience between them.

Chief executive Yann Depond said: "The UK has a great tech scene. We believe it's one of the countries leading the way in digital trends and innovation and Digital Greenwich is playing an important role in this change. We share their vision of the Smart City and are glad to help them build and deliver it."

● **Brothers Bridge Technology** made up of innovative people from successful industries who build products that solve complex business problems. The team uses a network of skilled business analysts, graphic designers, software and hardware engineers, manufacturers, logistics providers, business service providers, and venture capital investors.

● **Honey** is a social creative agency formed by staff from three top agencies, who have come together to offer integrated social, public relations and performance marketing. Honey provides expertise in lifestyle, retail, sports, fashion, hospitality, travel and media, offering a mix of brand strategy and other services.

● **Stickyworld** is an online platform for consulting on projects, products, buildings and places. Organisations can publish maps, plans, videos and virtual tours, inviting people to stick their comments directly on the content to share their view. Founded in 2010,

Stickyworld's customer base includes local authorities, local councils, engagement professionals, universities, museums, architects and planners.

Long-established businesses include:

● **amBX**, which is an intelligent lighting control specialists and won the City Innovation Award in 2012, people, including its new home for the stunning surrounding the heart of London's West End.

Marcus Starling, manager, said: "Innovation Centres are transport links to collaborative with access services."

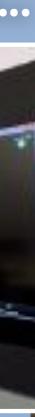
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iam J Hayter set up the

company in 2011 and has worked  
with a dozen local freelancers and  
businesses within the last year,  
including amBX.

He said: “About 10 years ago I planned to  
start my company in North Greenwich,  
which has a lot of potential for growing  
businesses. The regeneration in the  
borough is really helping to contribute  
to the local economy.”

Councillor Sizwe James, the royal  
borough’s cabinet member for  
business, employment and skills, said:  
“The arrival of new digital businesses  
is fantastic news and continues the  
growing trend of digital companies  
choosing to be based on the Greenwich  
Peninsula. This cements the Digital  
Greenwich Innovation Centre’s  
growing reputation as one of London’s  
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“The growth of the digital industry is  
a significant strand of our regeneration  
plans for the borough and our aim  
of creating a thriving, cutting edge  
digital hub has taken shape. The  
businesses we are attracting here  
will help create job opportunities for  
local residents and drive forward the  
borough’s economic growth.”



**TECHNOLOGY TRIO:** Ci Ci Zhou, Graham Hoy and Marco Zhang from the Young  
Funding Team at Brothers Bridge Technology



**CAMERA GUY:** Liam J Hayter, director of media services firm  
Independent State

## A driving force behind the driverless car



**ON THE ROAD:** trials for a driverless car are taking place in Greenwich

**TWO** businesses based at  
Mitre Passage are heavily  
involved in the Meridian  
driverless car project, set to  
be trialled in Greenwich later  
this year.

The trials will show  
motorists and the car  
industry the benefits of  
driverless vehicles with  
the aim of encouraging car  
manufacturers around the  
world to adopt the new  
technology.

Innovative design company  
Studio Blackburn has  
developed the logo and  
graphics for the Meridian  
driverless car. And recent

arrival Phoenix Wings, which  
specialises in developing  
'autonomous' vehicle  
technology, is involved  
in real-life driverless  
experiments with cities  
around the globe.

Studio Blackburn, with  
three employees, was  
founded by Paul and Susie  
Blackburn, who live in  
North Greenwich. Former  
Ravensbourne student Paul  
said: “We aim to continue to  
grow our client base, working  
with inspiring clients,  
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SURPRISE SURPRISE: characters from the popular children's book



A LEVEL drama students from Corelli College take to the stage along with the likes of comedians Arthur Smith, Alexi Sayle and Robin Ince for the spring season of performances in the Cutty Sark studio theatre.

Following a hugely successful 2014, the Michael Edwards Studio Theatre will once again welcome renowned performers and personalities, whilst also nurturing the talent of the local area for its new season.

During the daytime, the hold contains displays of tea chests and other artefacts relating to the ship's extraordinary history. In the evening, the central section is transformed into an eclectic 92-seat studio theatre, which provides the perfect platform for cabaret, comedy, music, special lectures and small scale-drama.

This season visitors can also enjoy a two-course theatre menu with Prosecco in the Even Keel Café before the performances.

Highlight presentations over the next few weeks include A level drama students who explore issues of modern migration and cultural identity in Let Us In (March 20, £12.50).

Award-winning comedian and science enthusiast Robin Ince presents the Robin Ince Reality Tunnel on March 30 (£15).

Alternative stand up comic and former John Roan pupil Arthur Smith and his presentation Salty Seadog with a Q&A session on April 10, which is closely followed by Listen with Alexi featuring the author/comedian/actor previewing his hilarious and thought-provoking memoirs with a readings from

## Half term play time theatre

PANTO season is over but panto-style fun for the family returns to Greenwich Theatre for half term week, starting on Sunday, February 15.

It starts with the Islington-based Little Angel theatre company which presents Handa's Surprise - a bend of physical theatre with puppetry and live music based around the best-selling children's book. "It will be the first of three shows across the week to cater for slightly different age groups. The exciting thing about it is that the audience will join the show on stage in the round," said James Haddrell, the theatre's artistic and executive director. Handa's Surprise is followed by The Wind in the Willows, by the Immersion theatre company, and Les Petits' Captain Flinn and the Pirate Dinosaurs.

Funded by Royal Greenwich, the theatre is one of London's foremost Off-West End theatres, presenting a year round programme of drama, musicals and family theatre while supporting 20 young artist and companies in everything from production to script development and marketing.

The Theatre is also a significant developer and programmer of theatre for children and families, and founder and co-producer of the annual Greenwich Children's Theatre Festival, part of the Royal Greenwich Festivals.

"February half term is the first school holiday of the year after Christmas, and I think the excitement of Jack and the Beanstalk - which sold 26,000 tickets, 4,000 more than last year - is still in the air. Hopefully these shows will make the most of that," James added.

For more information, please visit [www.greenwichtime.org.uk](http://greenwichtime.org.uk)  
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### "Winter Angels" urgently needed in Greenwich

Could you be a volunteer and spare some time to help a vulnerable person this winter

Age UK Bromley & Greenwich is looking for volunteers to help to provide companionship and support to older people over the winter period to help prevent unnecessary admissions to hospital and for those returning from hospital.

The role will involve visiting an older person in their home, over a period of six to twelve weeks, helping them with tasks such as shopping, collection of prescriptions, returning library books, meal preparation, accompanying them on short walks and other social outings. Volunteers will be needed at various times across daytime, evenings and weekends to suit your availability.

Full training will be provided but volunteers will need good communication skills; an understanding and empathy with the needs of older people, particularly in respect of those who may have lost confidence or some of their mobility.

Contact: Age UK Bromley & Greenwich Community House, South Street, Bromley Kent, BR1 1RH or telephone 020 8315 1854 or email [communityvolunteerb@ageukbandg.org.uk](mailto:communityvolunteerb@ageukbandg.org.uk)

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The Alexandra Players present Cinderella the untold story and The Flesh Game, February Thursday 19 - 8pm | Friday 20 - 8pm | Saturday 21 - 2pm & 6.30pm, Seats £9 Conc. £8 Children £5, The Alexandra Hall, Bramshot Avenue, [alexandraplayers@gmail.com](mailto:alexandraplayers@gmail.com) or call the Box Office on 07867 627 987

#### WOOLWICH DOCKYARD

Woolwich Singers Community Choir meetings are at the Clockhouse Community Centre, Weds 6.30 - 8pm, £2. No membership or auditions. For more call Wendy 07812 477 775 or visit: [www.woolwicksingers.co.uk](http://www.woolwicksingers.co.uk)

#### BOB HOPE THEATRE, ELTHAM

February 7: The Swing Commanders, 2.30 and 7.30pm, £13 (concs £12)  
February 14: Eldorado Youth Productions present Love to Sing, Love to Dance, a selection of songs and dances from musical theatre, 2.30 and 7.30pm £10 (£8 Sat mat). Call 020 8850 3702, visit [www.bobhopetheatre.co.uk](http://www.bobhopetheatre.co.uk)

# Hit the decks

*Hilary Bryan previews the new spring season at the Cutty Sark's studio theatre*



ON THE PROGRAMME: Alexi Sayle and Arthur Smith

'Thatcher stole my trousers' and 'Stalin ate my homework.'

Cutty Sark Studio Theatre programmer Margie Barbour said: Our varied spring season is welcoming

comics, musicians, leading politicians and plays. The new addition of a pre-show supper makes it a very special evening on board the world's fastest tea clipper.'

For full programme details visit [www.rmg.co.uk/cuttysark/studio-theatre](http://www.rmg.co.uk/cuttysark/studio-theatre)  
Online bookings at [www.rmg.co.uk/tickets](http://www.rmg.co.uk/tickets)  
phone bookings on 020 8312 6608.

## WHAT'S ON

### CHARLTON HOUSE

Free lunchtime concerts from local artistes. Every Friday at 1pm. Call 020 8856 3951 or visit [www.charlton-house.org](http://www.charlton-house.org)

### ST ALFEGE CHURCH

Free concerts and recitals February 5, 1.05pm - Trinity Laban February 7, 1.05 - Music by Debussy, Faure, Poulenc, Mozart, Schubert, Walton, Bernstein Visit [www.st-alfege.org.uk](http://www.st-alfege.org.uk)

### WOODLANDS FARM SHOOTERS HILL

Half term events, Feb 18-20. Visit [www.thewoodlandsfarmtrust.org](http://thewoodlandsfarmtrust.org) or call 020 8319 8900.

### GREENWICH

Queen's House, February 14, 7-8.30pm, Love in the Archives, Valentine's special where couples can explore the Caird library's collection of love letters. £46 per couple. Advanced booking.

March 289, The Women's Royal Naval Service 1917-19, free display in the Compass Lounge, National Maritime Museum. Call 020 8858 4422 visit [www.rmg.co.uk](http://www.rmg.co.uk)

### GREENWICH

Sunday evening chamber music at the Steinberg Studio, 137 Vanbrugh Hill, February 22, violin and piano recital. Tickets £10, book online at [www.steinbergduo.com](http://www.steinbergduo.com)

### FAN MUSEUM

Waterloo: Life&Times until May 5, 12 Crooms Hill, 020 8305 1441 / [www.thefanmuseum.org.uk](http://www.thefanmuseum.org.uk)

### GREENWICH

February 28, 11am-1pm: Overeaters anonymous public meeting, Greenwich Baptist Church, 10 Devonshire Drive, free, refreshments served. [oagreenwichmeeting@googlemail.com](mailto:oagreenwichmeeting@googlemail.com)

### GREENWICH DANCE

Saturday February 7: Anna Williams and Tom Roden: The Doodle Dance Show, drawing, dancing, doodling and story-telling. The Borough Hall, Royal Hill, £5, visit [www.greenwichdance.org.uk](http://www.greenwichdance.org.uk) or call 020 8293 9741.

### GREENWICH

Taoist Tai Chi beginners class on February 5 from 7 - 9pm, Greenwich West Community and Arts Centre [www.taoist.org.uk](http://www.taoist.org.uk) or call 07423 403144.



VIKING ships and helmets can be spotted at a special exhibition from Millennium Primary School next week, as Year 5 pupils at the school share what they have been learning about the Vikings.

Pupils have produced Viking inspired arts, crafts and artefacts that are to be put on display at a special exhibition, which is a chance for pupils to share what they have learned with pupils from other schools and their parents.

The exhibition will be open for one-day only at the 'No Format' facility in Woolwich, off of Warspite Road with schools from the Royal Borough

## Holiday fun on the farm

PUT your wellies on and head down to Woodlands Farm for some outdoor adventures this half term.

That's the invitation from wildlife conservationists at the Shooters Hill farm. The 89-acre working city farm gives visitors the opportunity to find out about farming life and experience the countryside including native bird species, butterflies, wild flowers and ancient woodland. Half term events include:

- **A Stickman Adventure: Wednesday February 18, 10am-12pm and 1pm-3pm, £3 per child. Booking is essential on 020 8319 8900.**

● **Welly Wander: Thursday February 19, 1pm-3pm, £1 per child, drop in anytime between 1 and 3pm.**  
**Get Wild in the Woods: Friday February 20, 11am - 1pm and 2pm-4pm, age 7+ booking essential, to book call 020 8319 8900.**  
 In the meantime, the farm is also hosting a free two-hour Valentine's Walk on Sunday February 15 at 10am.

For more information on these events or to book please call 020 8319 8900 or email [education@thewoodlandsfarmtrust.org](mailto:education@thewoodlandsfarmtrust.org)  
 Visit [www.thewoodlandsfarmtrust.org](http://www.thewoodlandsfarmtrust.org)



POSTER PROMOTION: watch out for information on half term events at the farm

## Notice of Public Consultation Sutcliffe Park Multisport Centre

The Royal Borough of Greenwich is working on a planning application for a new sports centre in Sutcliffe Park. As well as new indoor athletics facilities (including provision for wheelchair based training), a community café, public toilets and classrooms, the centre could include and provide for activities like indoor cricket nets, climbing, bouldering, high ropes, BMX and skateboarding. From the conversations that we have had so far, this type of offer would complement and enhance the sport facilities that we already have in the Royal Borough whilst helping more residents – particularly children and young people, to join in and get active.

Representatives of the Sports Centre Project Team will be conducting consultation events where you can raise questions and discuss the new development, at the following venues and times:

**Sutcliffe Park Athletics Clubhouse**  
**Tuesday 10th February 3pm – 8pm**

**Eltham Centre**  
**Thursday 12th February 11am – 8pm**



**HERONGATE PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
WHINCHAT ROAD, LONDON SE28 0EA  
TEL : 020 8317 0809



### Level 3 EYFS Teaching Assistants required

27.5 hours per week term time only

(includes 5 hours per week working as a midday supervisor)

TA salary £18,783\* 22.5hrs

Midday Supervisor salary £16,833 \* 5hrs

\*This salary is pro rata for 39 weeks per year at the above hours as this is a term time only job

Herongate is a friendly, hardworking school based over two sites, one in West Thamesmead and the other at Burridge Grove in Woolwich.

#### We need:

- Enthusiastic teaching assistants to work in the EYFS
- Teaching assistants with high expectations of children, to provide 1-to-1 support to pupils with special educational needs and to give general assistance to teaching staff both in the classroom and in and around the school
- Teaching assistants with the ability to assess and moderate EYFS pupils
- Teaching assistants who can support pupils to play together and enjoy their lunchtimes
- Teaching assistants who can motivate and support pupils with their learning

#### We can provide:

- Enthusiastic pupils, opportunities for professional development and a well-resourced learning environment

Please apply online at [www.herongate.greenwich.sch.uk/vacancies](http://www.herongate.greenwich.sch.uk/vacancies)

**Closing date for applications Friday 6th February**

Herongate is committed to safeguarding children. All candidates must have an enhanced CRB check or be willing to undergo checks.



# CLASSIFIEDS

## TYRES

### NEWLY OPENED TYRE SHACK

REAR OF TAEKWONDO CENTRE, UNIT 7 SUTCLIFFE ROAD, PLUMSTEAD SE18  
020 8316 4908

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- Wheel Balancing
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13", 14", 15", 16", 17"  
18" & 19" Tyres  
Discount for OAP's

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End of Life Motor Car Recycling £70 - £2,000  
Nothing refused!  
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## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE LICENSING ACT 2003

Notice is given that DAP VENTURES LTD has applied for the NEW GRANT of a Premises Licence for the following premises:

10 PARRY PLACE  
WOOLWICH, LONDON SE18 6AN

A record of the application may be inspected by appointment.

Interested parties may make representations to the Royal Borough of Greenwich on this application by no later than 11TH FEBRUARY 2015. Representations can be made in writing, by email or fax to The Licensing Team, Community Safety & Environment, 4th Floor, Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, London SE18 8HQ, Tel: 020 8921 8018, Fax: 020 8921 8380, Email: [licensing@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@royalgreenwich.gov.uk). Representations can only be made on the grounds of one of the four licensing objectives, namely:

- Protection of children from harm
- Prevention of Public nuisance
- Prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety

Any person who makes a false statement in connection with an application is liable on summary conviction to a maximum fine of £5,000.

It is proposed that the following licensable activities will take place at the premises:

PLAYS, LIVE MUSIC, RECORDED MUSIC,  
ANYTHING SIMILAR TO LIVE AND  
RECORDED MUSIC AND ON-SALE SUPPLY  
OF ALCOHOL,  
MONDAY TO WEDNESDAY 14:00 HOURS  
UNTIL 00:00 MIDNIGHT,  
THURSDAY TO SUNDAY 16:00 HOURS  
UNTIL 01:00 THE FOLLOWING DAY.  
LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT  
MONDAY TO WEDNESDAY 23:00 HOURS  
UNTIL 00:00 MIDNIGHT,  
THURSDAY TO SUNDAY 23:00 HOURS  
UNTIL 01:00 THE FOLLOWING DAY

## HOUSE CLEARANCE

### HOUSE CLEARANCE

British Heart Foundation, registered charities in England and Wales (209103) and in Scotland (SC039261)

Your items will fund the fight against heart disease.  
Call 020 8712 5431 or book  
online at [bhf.org.uk/collection](http://bhf.org.uk/collection)

## CAR CARE

### CHARLTON HAND CAR WASH

WASH £6.00 NOW £4.00  
WASH N VAC £10.00 NOW £8.00  
4X4 EXTRA £2.00  
FULL VALET FROM £35.00  
\*Offer valid with this voucher\*

**020 8305 1771**  
**07403 101669**

Westmoor Street, Charlton SE7 8NR

### C.J.Reilly Funeral Services

133-135 Southwood Road SE9 3QL

020 8859 1414

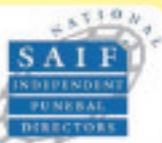
[cjreillyfunerals@aol.com](mailto:cjreillyfunerals@aol.com)

[www.cjreilly.co.uk](http://www.cjreilly.co.uk)

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## BIDDING FOR PROPERTIES

People on the Housing register are able to bid for all properties, regardless of their banding. You must be eligible for the size of property and bids will be considered in the following order:

First Band A, followed by Band B both in priority date order.

Those in Band C will then be considered in registration date order.

Please note that there will still be some properties with age restrictions so only people of this age group can apply for these.

### BAND

- A** is for applicants in unsatisfactory housing, including people moving due to demolition and those underoccupying their homes.
- B** is for applicants the Royal Borough of Greenwich must prioritise according to the law, particularly homeless people, and others with an urgent need to move for medical or welfare reasons.
- C** is for all applicants on the housing register, including those that are in priority bands A and B.

## How do I apply?

### Get on the list

- 1 First, you've got to be on the housing waiting list to join the scheme. If you're not, register an application online at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk)

### Find your applicant number

It will be on the letter you've already had from the Royal Borough of Greenwich about the new scheme. You'll need that number and the reference number of the property you're after, which will be on the advert.

### Pick out your ideal property

by looking in Greenwich Time or regularly checking the website:

[www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes)

Click on your preference on the website. If you don't have a computer, you can always use one for free at either The Eltham or Woolwich Centre or a local library.

### Apply in one of three ways

- Text bidding is now available and the number to use is 07786207913. For further information please see page 2, or
- Phone the 24-hour hotline 020 8921 4340. It's an automatic push-button system and calls will be charged at the normal local rate, or
- Via the Royal Borough of Greenwich's website [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes)

The next edition of GreenwichHomes will be available on **Wednesday 11 February at midday**. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 8 February 2015**.

### 24-hour hotline

The Greenwich Homes (Choice Based Lettings) Telephone Bidding Line is available in:  
English 020 8921 4340

Greenwich Homes (locations « au choix ») Ligne téléphonique de demande disponible en français en composant le :  
French 020 8921 4330

Có sẵn Đường dây Đầu giá Điện thoại Greenwich Homes (Tài sản Dựa trên Sự chọn lựa) ở:  
Vietnamese 020 8921 4343

Guryaha Xaaladda Greenwich (Guri-jaar Ku-saleysan kala-doorashoo) Khadka Ku-tarlanka waxaa laga helaa:  
Somali 020 8921 4345

Greenwich Konutları (Tercihe Dayalı Kiralık Konut) Telefon ile Teklif Verme Hattı Türkçe de aranabiliyor:  
Turkish 020 8921 4347

格林威治家居 (揀選租屋計劃) 開通電話競投專線：  
Cantonese 020 8921 4370

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Tamil 020 8921 4300

# GreenwichHomes

Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

**Anyone on  
the housing  
list can  
apply for  
these**



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 183557  
**9 Norway St SE10**  
 3 Bed Hse  
 Rad C/H  
**£179.11 pw**



Ref Number: 196845  
**Sunfields Pl SE3**  
 1 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
 Unlifted Entry phn  
 Bar Fire Only  
**£100.20 pw**



Ref Number: 196986  
**Crescent Hse  
Bliss Cres SE13**  
 3 Bed 3rd Flr Flat  
 Unlifted Entry phn  
 Rad C/H  
**£118.85 pw**



Ref Number: 178297  
**Harold Gibbons Ct  
Victoria Way SE7**  
 2 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
 Unlifted Entry phn  
 Rad C/H No pets  
**£118.14 pw**



Ref Number: 196771  
**Eltham Palace Rd  
SE9**  
 3 Bed Hse  
 Rad C/H  
**£125.45 pw**



Ref Number: 197022  
**The Mound SE9**  
 1 Bed Grnd Flr Flat  
 Entry phn  
 Combi Boiler & 1 Rad  
**£98.32 pw**



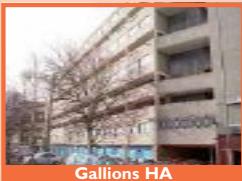
Ref Number: 197024  
**Ealdham Square  
SE9**  
 3 Bed Hse  
 Rad C/H  
**£127.34 pw**



Ref Number: 197030  
**Kingsground SE9**  
 2 Bed 1st Flr Flat Gdn  
 Unlifted Rad C/H  
**£106.38 pw**



Ref Number: 197033  
**Gilbert Hse  
Mcmillan St SE8**  
 3 Bed 1st Flr Flat  
 Unlifted Rad C/H  
 Entry phn  
**£118.02 pw**



Ref Number: 197056  
**Keynes Ct  
Attlee Rd SE28**  
 2 Bed 7th Flr Flat  
 Lifted Entry phn  
 Rad C/H No Pets  
**£109.75 pw**



Ref Number: 197069  
**Fairlawn Ct  
Fairlawn SE7**  
 2 Bed 3rd Flr Flat  
 Lifted Entry phn  
 Rad C/H No pets  
**£117.42 pw**



Ref Number: 197062  
**Ducie Hse  
Springfield Gr SE7**  
 3 Bed 7th Flr Flat  
 Lifted Entry phn  
 Rad C/H No pets  
**£131.42 pw**



Ref Number: 197038  
**Derrick Gdns SE7**  
 2 Bed Grnd Flr Flat Gdn  
 Rad C/H  
**£109.23 pw**



**Information  
Only**  
**Parlour Houses**  
 3 bed Parlour is  
 counted as a  
 4 bedroomed

4 Bed Parlour is  
 counted as a  
 5 bedroomed



Ref Number: 197059  
**Elm Tree Court  
Fairlawn SE7**  
 3 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
 Unlifted Entry phn  
 Rad C/H No Pets  
**£132.15 pw**

**Next Edition 429  
available  
on Wednesday  
11 February  
2015**



Ref Number: 197065  
**Cedar Ct  
Fairlawn SE7**  
 3 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
 Unlifted Entry phn  
 Rad C/H No Pets  
**£121.52 pw**



Ref Number: 197063  
**Warren Ct  
Charlton Church  
Lane SE7**  
 2 Bed Hse Gdn  
 Rad C/H  
**£125.33 pw**



Ref Number: 197028  
**Commonwealth  
Way SE2**  
 2 Bed 3rd Flr Flat  
 Unlifted Gas Fire & Rad  
 C/H No Pkg  
**£96.20 pw**

# Greenwich Homes

Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

## Affordable Housing

### Barracouta House SE18

- Open plan kitchen/living area
- electric cookers
- No pets



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 55920  
**Granby Rd SE9**  
 2 Bed Grnd Flr Flat Gdn Rad C/H No pets  
**£171.69 pw**



L&Q Housing

Ref Number: 83131  
**Tarves Way SE10**  
 2 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
 Lifted Entry phn  
 Rad C/H No Pets  
**£194.35 pw**



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 197042  
**Barracouta Hse Black Prince St SE18**  
 2 Bed 1st Flr Flat  
 Lifted Entry phn No pets  
 Rad C/H 1 pkg space  
**£151.11 pw**



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 197040  
**Barracouta Hse Black Prince St SE18**  
 2 Bed 3rd Flr Flat  
 Lifted Entry phone  
 Rad C/H No Pets  
 1 pkg space  
**£172.71 pw**



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 197045  
**Barracouta Hse Black Prince St SE18**  
 2 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
 Lifted Entry phn Rad C/H  
 No pets 1 pkg space  
**£172.71 pw**



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 197047  
**Barracouta Hse Black Prince St SE18**  
 2 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
 Lifted Entry phn Rad C/H  
 No pets 1 pkg space  
**£172.71 pw**



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 197049  
**Barracouta Hse Black Prince St SE18**  
 2 Bed 3rd Flr Flat  
 Lifted Entry phn Rad C/H No  
 pets 1 pkg space  
**£172.71 pw**



L&Q Housing

Ref Number: 197052  
**Gallosson Rd SE18**  
 1 Bed Grnd Flr Flat  
 Rad C/H No pets  
**£130.90 pw**

## Important Notice

Please note the closing date to register your bids for advertised properties will be **every Sunday at midnight.**

## Applicants over 50+ can apply

No Photo

Amicus Horizon HA

Ref Number: 196843  
**Raglan Ct Weigall Rd SE12**  
 1 Bed 1st Flr Flat  
 Lifted Entry phn  
 No pets  
**£127.38 pw**

**Next Edition 429 available on Wednesday 11 February 2015**

### Like for Like Moves

Council tenants housed through priority Bands A & B, are generally offered a similar type of property to that they currently occupy, of the size they require. This is because rehousing is being offered to meet safety or other needs, rather than to provide more desirable housing. Tenants, who want to move to improve the quality of their accommodation, must do so through Band C, where applicants are housed in date order.

For full details on our policies, please see the Allocations Scheme which is available on the Royal Borough's website

## IMPORTANT POLICY INFORMATION FOR THOSE AWARDED PRIORITY

### When a priority is awarded, you will receive one offer of accommodation.

The following rules are used to allocate properties to applicants in Bands A, B and C, to make sure the Council makes best use of housing stock to meet needs.

- Two children (whatever gender) under 10 years old can share a bedroom.
- Two children (same gender) under 16 years old can share a bedroom.
- Two children of opposite gender where at least one is 10 years old or over need a bedroom each.
- Each person over 16 years old needs their own bedroom
- A couple and lone parents need one bedroom
- Expected babies are counted as a person from the six month of pregnancy.
- Band C applicants - Houses are allocated to a household with children (aged 15 or under).

Only RBG tenants who currently occupy houses in bands A and B, will be considered for rehousing to another house. All other priority applicants will be considered for flats or maisonettes. Note: There are separate Allocations Policies for applicants with priority from regeneration areas.

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

# GreenwichHomes

Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

## IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ROYAL BOROUGH TENANTS WHO ARE MOVING

### DON'T GET A BILL AFTER YOU LEAVE

Under the conditions of your tenancy agreement, you have a responsibility to leave your property in an acceptable state of repair. We may visit you to check this. If we consider your property is in an unacceptable condition, you may be prevented from moving or be recharged for work.

#### To avoid getting an unwelcome bill, follow these rules:

- Repair any damage caused to the property by you, your family or visitors to your home.
- Make good any changes you have made to your property e.g. put back any doors that you have removed.
- Make sure your garden is not overgrown and you have cleared all garden waste.
- Clear all your items from the inside and the outside of the property. This includes any loft space, external cupboards or sheds.
- Return all the keys to the Royal Borough's offices no later than midday on Monday (or Tuesday if it is a Bank Holiday). You will be charged a further week's rent if you do not return your keys on time.

If you leave repairs that are your responsibility, or items that require disposal you will be charged the cost of this work.

#### Special Collection Service

The Royal Borough offers a Special Collection Service for tenants who are moving and want to dispose of something big and bulky, like a sofa or a fridge, and even unwanted clothes and other textiles.

Simply contact Waste Services on 020 8921 4661 and tell them where you live and what you would like taken away.

#### Items we will collect include:

Fridges, freezers, washing machines, beds, sofas, clothes and carpets (carpets must be cut up and tied into manageable bundles that one person can carry).

#### Items we DO NOT collect include:

Fitted kitchens, bathroom suites, boilers, sheds, fences and rubble.

For further information, please contact Waste Services on

**020 8921 4661.**

**Please leave your home in a good condition!**

#### This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 425

| Address                                      | Bed-rooms | Property Type | No of Bids | Reg date of successful app | Band |
|--|-----------|---------------|------------|----------------------------|------|
| Griffin Road SE18 7QD                        | 2         | FLAT          | 409        | 05/08/2014                 | B    |
| Shrubshall Close SE9 5QT                     | 1         | FLAT          | 498        | 19/01/2004                 | A    |
| Middle Park Avenue SE9 5QW                   | 1         | FLAT          | 445        | 13/01/2011                 | C    |
| Wythens Walk SE9 2SQ                         | 1         | FLAT          | 572        | 12/11/2012                 | B    |
| Azile Everitt House Blendon Terrace SE18 7SR | 1         | FLAT          | 421        | 23/08/2013                 | B    |
| Hartwell House Troughton Road SE7 7QJ        | 1         | FLAT          | 592        | 01/02/2010                 | A    |
| The Heights SE7 8JL                          | 1         | FLAT          | 502        | 20/01/2014                 | B    |
| Deering House Tudway Road SE3 9FG            | 2         | FLAT          | 511        | 03/05/2013                 | B    |
| Deering House Tudway Road SE3 9FG            | 2         | FLAT          | 453        | 02/06/2014                 | B    |
| Deering House Tudway Road SE3 9FG            | 2         | FLAT          | 435        | 10/06/2014                 | B    |
| Deering House Tudway Road SE3 9FH            | 1         | FLAT          | 452        | 11/08/2014                 | A    |
| Deering House Tudway Road SE3 9FH            | 2         | FLAT          | 403        | 13/03/2013                 | B    |
| Deering House Tudway Road SE3 9FH            | 3         | FLAT          | 346        | 17/10/2014                 | B    |
| Deering House Tudway Road SE3 9FH            | 2         | FLAT          | 378        | 25/07/2014                 | B    |
| Deering House Tudway Road SE3 9FH            | 2         | FLAT          | 358        | 26/06/2014                 | B    |
| Deering House Tudway Road SE3 9FH            | 2         | FLAT          | 250        | 29/04/2014                 | B    |
| Deering House Tudway Road SE3 9FH            | 2         | FLAT          | 271        | 25/09/2014                 | B    |
| Deering House Tudway Road SE3 9FH            | 2         | FLAT          | 275        | 01/07/2013                 | B    |
| Deering House Tudway Road SE3 9FH            | 3         | FLAT          | 275        | 17/04/2014                 | B    |
| Tudway Road SE3 9FR                          | 3         | HOUSE         | 484        | 24/09/2007                 | C    |
| Parkdale Road SE18 1RT                       | 2         | FLAT          | 410        | 13/06/2014                 | B    |
| Ruddstreet Close SE18 6RR                    | 1         | BUNGALOW      | 361        | 10/07/2000                 | A    |
| Granite Street SE18 1LR                      | 3         | MAISONETTE    | 317        | 19/12/2011                 | B    |
| Woolven House Coleraine Road SE3 7NY         | 1         | FLAT          | 526        | 26/09/2011                 | B    |
| Richmond Place SE18 7EQ                      | 1         | FLAT          | 397        | 09/08/2010                 | C    |
| Claymill House Raglan Road SE18 7HX          | 1         | FLAT          | 366        | 01/03/2011                 | C    |
| Mccall Crescent SE7 8HS                      | 3         | HOUSE         | 879        | 04/04/2013                 | B    |
| Tattersall Close SE9 6ES                     | 1         | FLAT          | 304        | 22/12/1997                 | A    |
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# SPORT

## Sabrina makes Team GB bow

by Simon Banks

**HARDWORK** has paid off for home grown talent Sabrina Sinha, after the young runner was selected to make her debut for Team GB.

Sabrina, from Blackheath has seen her career go from strength to strength after investing a lot of time and dedication into her training, now Sabrina has reaped the rewards after making her debut for Team GB in Edinburgh on Saturday January 10, after receiving the call up in December.

"I was really inspired when I received my GB vest and it was an honour to represent my country against girls much older than me from the UK, the USA and Europe," said Sabrina.

The Edinburgh International Cross Country Challenge saw Team GB take on Team USA, Team Europe and a team from Scotland in a 4k course around the extremely muddy terrain of Holyrood Park in freezing conditions. Although just 15-years-old, Sabrina was eligible for the event, as she will turn 16 this year in April.

The Greenwich Starting Blocks

funded athlete showed maturity beyond her years to cross the line in 8th place, the third runner from GB to finish.

Sabrina told GT: "I would like to continue to improve in both cross country and on the track and run well at the English Nationals and UK Intercounties, but I am a year out of age so it will be tough.

"I would also like to do well at the English Schools Cross Country Championships and hopefully get my England Schools vest for the SIAB International taking place in Ireland in March.

"The track season starts at Easter and I will be concentrating on the 800m and 1500m and long term, I would like to continue to be selected as an International and make the difficult transition from junior to senior, but I take each day and each race as it comes."

Following her success for Team GB, Sabrina continued in fine form to win the SEAA Southern Cross Country Championships in Brighton for a third consecutive



**GREAT FOR BRITAIN:** Sabrina Sinha, centre, at the Southern Cross Country Championships with third place Niamh Brown, left, and second place Morven Goodrum, right. Sabrina's new Team GB vest, far left

year. She won the under-15s title twice in 2013 and 2014 before winning the under-17 title this year.

● **For more information about the Greenwich Starting Blocks Trust, who support talented young sports people, visit [www.greenwichstartingblocks.com](http://www.greenwichstartingblocks.com)**

## Greenwich Power through



**ANOTHER** powerful performance from Greenwich Powerchair Football Club ensured the borough's side stayed at the top of the table.

The team is on the verge of another regional league tournament title after back to back wins against Swindon and Norwich in the disability football league competition.

The South London Special League charity actively works with young people with disabilities to ensure that they are given every opportunity to enjoy sports and exercise. The charity is the Royal Greenwich Mayor, Mick Hayes' chosen charity of the year and supports Greenwich Powerchair FC.

The team, consisting of captain Kyle Alexander,

Shea French-Gibbons, Emily Campbell, Archie Jones and Kieran Gibbons battled it out to stay ahead of league rivals Invicta, who are just 2 points off the leaders.

The first game saw the team defeat Swindon 2-0 and claim an impressive 5-0 win over Norwich with Kyle Alexander scoring five of the teams seven. The team then played a cup match against Brighton and Hove Seagulls, managing another clean-sheet as the team won 3-0 with goals from Shea French-Gibbons and Archie Jones before Emily Campbell rounded off her perfect game with the teams third goal shortly after creating the second with a well worked assist.

● **For more information about the South London Special League visit [www.sl-sl.co.uk](http://www.sl-sl.co.uk)**

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# Now's the time to climb



THAMESMEAD CLIMBS  
ABOARD: Residents enjoy a family climbing day and cycling lessons at events organised for the Now's The Time roadshow

by Simon Banks

RESIDENTS of Thamesmead have been coming on-board in their numbers this month, as the 'Now's the Time' roadshow bus spreads the word on exercise and healthy eating.

'Now's the Time' is a community initiative in partnership with Trust Thamesmead, the Peabody Group, Gallions Housing Association, the London Borough of Bexley and the Royal Borough of Greenwich, targeting change in the lifestyle and wellbeing of residents of Thamesmead.

There is a whole host of activities on offer for residents who live or work in Thamesmead, including football, zumba, fitness classes, netball, walking, water confidence, tennis and more, all for just £1.

'Now's the Time' visited locations across Thamesmead including supermarkets, health facilities and schools, as part of a two-week long roadshow staffed by Charlton

Athletic Community Trust. The roadshow gave residents a chance to find out what was on offer in their local area and get healthy lifestyle advice from professionals. There are also five family activity days on offer so parents can exercise with the whole family. This included the Manor Way Day Free Family Healthy Living Event on Saturday January 17 that included exercise taster sessions, advice services and an exclusive climbing experience at The Link centre, Thamesmead.

Cllr Miranda Williams, cabinet member for culture and creative industries, said: "The roadshow has been a great success and it is fantastic to see so many residents taking the opportunity to improve their health and wellbeing while enjoying some of the Royal Borough's excellent facilities. The project is part of the our commitment to providing sports and exercise opportunities for all residents."

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